

Regarding: RM-10786

To the Commission...

Thank you for your time in receiving my comments.

I have been a FCC license holder, of one type or another for many years. I started with a CB license in the early 60's. I finally made the leap into amateur radio when I learned that I no longer had to master the Morse code requirements. Much to my shagrin, I learned that I could only stay at the first level without learning this out-dated mode of communication. Virtually no government or commercial radio service uses Morse code in today's world. Indeed, most other countries have dropped this requirement for their licensees.

In my humble opinion, with today's technology, there is no need for the Morse code requirement, and I feel it should be completely disposed of, unless amateurs want to use it. It is the very reason that I do not try to advance to higher classes. And I would very much like to!

I am asking that you eliminate RM-10786 from the Amateur Radio Service. I feel that by doing so, many more people would advance. That means a much larger base of Amateurs to draw upon in times of emergency, and more license fees for the FCC. I feel that it is imperative that you do this in the most expeditious manner possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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